

## **City of Rye**

### **Memorandum**

Date: May 17, 2002

To: Julia D. Novak, City Manager

From: Julie Schmitter, Assistant to the City Manager

Re: Beach Survey Results

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#### **I. Introduction**

At the April 10, 2002 Rye City Council Meeting, the Council directed City Staff to develop a survey to measure residents perceptions of the parking restrictions in Rye's "beach area." The survey consisted of four (4) parts: (1) Street Identification; (2) Enforcement; (3) Parking Restrictions; and (4) Additional Comments.

The purpose of the survey was to gather pertinent information to assist the City Council in addressing the issue of parking in Rye's residential neighborhoods. During the seasonal parking prohibition, residents are prohibited from on street parking in an attempt to protect the City's "beach area" residents. While the prohibition is helpful, City residents do struggle with the inconveniences and penalties of not complying.

#### **II. Methodology**

City Staff developed a "beach area parking survey" for distribution to Rye households in the beach area. Beach area parking is defined in the Rye City Code as the area from Apawamis Avenue south to Milton Point between Blind Brook and Long Island Sound. Beach area parking restrictions are in effect from May 1 to September 30 each year.

On April 25, 2002 the surveys were hand delivered to each household in the beach area by Department of Public Works staff. Survey respondents were given several methods to return the survey to the City Manager's office: (1) By mail to the City Manager's Office; (2) By contacting the City's web-site; and (3) By hand delivery to the Clerk's Office. The deadline for returning the surveys was May 10.

Approximately 2000 surveys were distributed to households in the beach area. Of the 2000 surveys, 348 surveys were returned using the above methods. This is a response rate of 17%.

#### **III. Findings**

In general, the respondents indicated that the beach area parking restrictions are perceived as being necessary (63%) and a majority of respondents indicated that they do not support or strongly do not support a residential parking permit system (70%) and keeping the parking restrictions the same was selected more than any other choice (53%) (see page 1 and 2 of attached spreadsheets for complete findings).

The following sections provide summaries of findings related to street identification, enforcement, and perceptions of parking restrictions by street location.

## **Part I. Street Identification**

Respondents who believed their streets should not be included in the beach parking area because of their proximity to the beach were identified. Of the 348 surveys received, 11% of respondents believed that their streets should not be included in the beach parking restrictions area. These streets included Fairlawn Street, Garden Drive, Radcliffe Avenue, and Hillcrest Lane. Residents suggested that their streets were located far enough from Rye Town Park and Playland to eliminate the need for parking restrictions (see page 3 of attached spreadsheets for further survey comments). Interestingly, response rates for streets south of Hewlett on Milton Point were very limited.

## **Part II. Enforcement**

Overall residents in the beach area believed that parking enforcement is about right (48%), with 29% of residents indicating that the police department is not strict enough in their enforcement of the beach area. Of the 348 respondents who indicated whether any member of their household had received a ticket in the past three years, 76 answered yes (22%) and 7% said enforcement was too strict (see page 4 of attached spreadsheets for circumstances under which residents received tickets).

## **Part III. Perceptions of Parking Restrictions by Street Location**

The following charts represent streets located near Rye Town Park, Playland, and the Marina. The data depicts what residents indicated would be a helpful remedy (ies) to the parking issue. Many residents located in outlying streets did not respond to the survey, thus limited information is available for these areas.

**Streets Near Rye Town Park and Beach** (includes Redfield, Rye Beach Avenue, Oakland Beach, Halsted, Cornell Place, Rickbern, Jean, Overlook, Elmwood, Oakwood Ave., Ridgeland Terrace, Ormond Pl., and Dearborn)

<b>Streets Near Rye Town Park</b>	<b>#</b>	<b>% of boxes checked by respondents to the survey. Note: Could check more than one. n=156</b>	<b>% of respondents checking this option n=119</b>
Keep the parking restrictions the same	<b>61</b>	<b>39%</b>	<b>51%</b>
Reduce the size of the seasonal parking zone by removing streets farther from the park.	<b>7</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>4%</b>
Change the dates of the seasonal parking prohibition	<b>33</b>	<b>21%</b>	<b>28%</b>
Change the hours of the restrictions to the hours the parks are open	<b>24</b>	<b>15%</b>	<b>20%</b>
Allow overnight parking in the beach area	<b>15</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>13%</b>
Establish a parking permit system	<b>16</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>13%</b>

**Streets Near Playland Park** (includes Beck, Sanford, Adelaide, Rosemere, Horton, Wainwright, Centre, Ridgeland Manor, and Orchard Ln.)

<b>Streets Near Playland</b>	<b>#</b>	<b>% of boxes checked by respondents to the survey. Note: Could check more than one. n=82</b>	<b>% of respondents checking this option n=56</b>
Keep the parking restrictions the same	<b>30</b>	<b>37%</b>	<b>54%</b>
Reduce the size of the seasonal parking zone by removing streets farther from the park.	<b>6</b>	<b>7%</b>	<b>11%</b>
Change the dates of the seasonal parking prohibition	<b>16</b>	<b>19%</b>	<b>29%</b>
Change the hours of the restrictions to the hours the parks are open	<b>13</b>	<b>16%</b>	<b>23%</b>
Allow overnight parking in the beach area	<b>8</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>14%</b>
Establish a parking permit system	<b>9</b>	<b>11%</b>	<b>16%</b>

**Streets Near the Rye City Marina** (includes Milton, Hewlett, Garden Drive, Fairlawn, Park Lane, and Orchard Drive)

<b>Streets Near Rye City Marina</b>	<b>#</b>	<b>% of boxes checked by respondents to the survey. Note: Could check more than one. n=41</b>	<b>% of respondents checking this option n=32</b>
Keep the parking restrictions the same	<b>18</b>	<b>44%</b>	<b>56%</b>
Reduce the size of the seasonal parking zone by removing streets farther from the park.	<b>7</b>	<b>17%</b>	<b>21%</b>
Change the dates of the seasonal parking prohibition	<b>8</b>	<b>20%</b>	<b>25%</b>
Change the hours of the restrictions to the hours the parks are open	<b>6</b>	<b>15%</b>	<b>19%</b>
Allow overnight parking in the beach area	<b>1</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>3%</b>
Establish a parking permit system	<b>1</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>3%</b>

Additional comments were recorded and are attached (p. 5 - 12)

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Beach Survey  
Results  
Part II and III

<b>Part II. Enforcement</b>		
<b>Question 1. Did any members of your household receive a parking ticket alleging a violation of the last three years? (n=348)</b>	<b>#</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>Yes</b>	76	22%
<b>No</b>	272	78%
<b>Question 1a. If yes, under what circumstance? (see page 3., comments attached)</b>		
<b>Question 2. Although many tickets have been issued, certainly not every automobile parked in apparent violation is ticketed by the Police Department. In your opinion, is the level of enforcement of the ordinance by the Police Department.... (n=348)</b>	<b>#</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>Too strict</b>	26	7%
<b>No opinion</b>	56	16%
<b>Not strict enough</b>	100	29%
<b>About right</b>	166	48%

Beach Area Parking Survey Results (continued)

<b>Part III. Parking Restrictions</b>					
<b>Question 1. What is your current opinion of the parking restrictions in the beach area? (n=348)</b>	<b>#</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>Question 4. A residential parking permit system would require that 20% of parking spots be available on short-term (not less than 90 minutes) basis and the City allow non-residents to obtain permits. Given these provisions set forth in the New York Stat</b>	<b>#</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>Like</b>	92	26%	<b>Strongly Support</b>	12	3%
<b>Necessary</b>	218	63%	<b>Support</b>	30	9%
<b>No opinion</b>	8	2%	<b>Neutral</b>	63	19%
<b>Dislike</b>	30	8%	<b>Do not support</b>	48	15%
			<b>Strongly do not support</b>	195	56%
<b>Question 2. What do you like best about parking restrictions? (n=348)</b>	<b>#</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>Question 5. What remedies to the parking restrictions would you support? (n=348)</b>	<b>#</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>The parking restrictions keep visitors to City attractions out of its neighborhoods</b>	265	76%	<b>Keep the parking restrictions the same</b>	186	53%
<b>The parking restrictions keep neighbors from parking cars on the streets</b>	44	13%	<b>Reduce the size of the seasonal parking zone by removing streets farther from the park</b>	41	12%
<b>The parking restrictions allow for adequate space for flow of traffic through City neighborhoods during the summer months</b>	118	34%	<b>Change the dates of the seasonal parking prohibition by shortening the season to Memorial Day weekend until Labor Day weekend.</b>	85	24%
<b>No opinion</b>	16	5%	<b>Change the hours of restrictions to the hours the parks (Playland and Rye Town Park) are open</b>	72	21%
<b>Question 3. What do you like least about parking restrictions? (n=348)</b>	<b>#</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>Allow overnight parking in the beach area</b>	34	10%
<b>The inability to have Guests</b>	162	47%	<b>Establish a parking permit system under New York State Law</b>	33	9%
<b>The inability to park on street overnight</b>	73	21%			
<b>The parking restriction season is to long (May 1 - September 30)</b>	63	18%			
<b>The parking restrictions encourage people to park on neighborhood sidewalks</b>	32	9%			
<b>No opinion</b>	107	31%			

Part I. Street Identification Questions 2a. Comments

If you do not believe your street should continue to be included in the "beach area" subject to parking restrictions, why?

Except for July 4th
There are no signs on our street that indicate that there is no parking but we have never had a problem.
Far from the beach
No Beach or Playland Parking is on this street.
Private Street
Not immediately affected
Far from the beach
It is a dead end, short street.
Parking area adjacent to stores.
It is far enough from the beach.
My babysitter has received tickets if both our cars were in the driveway and she had to park on the street.
Our homes are small and we can't accomodate 3 or 4 cars unless we are allowed to park in front of our own homes. Hill Street is aptly named and we really can't park in our driveway. I do believe you should control parking but there needs to be something for residents.
Not enough street parking for home and visitors.
because of friends and family
I do not see much attempt to park on my street for the beach.
We are not in the vicinity of the park.
It is far from the beach.
Our neighborhood streets form a u-shaped cul-de-sac. Many folks have limited driveway space. Guests do park on these inner streets.
Too far from Playland and Beach for People to walk, parking here not a problem.
Too Far from the beach, Why are residents are receiving tickets.
Because we are far away from the beach.
We get an occasional stray car - we're too far from the beach.
We are right next to the Playland Parking Lot.
See notes
Too far from beach to be necessary
Too Far from beach
you used to be able to have permission for guests to park while visiting
Submit
Too far away from beach area
Distance from attractions.
People will not walk that far to the beach.
People will not walk that far to the beach.

Part I. Street Identification Questions 2a. Comments (continued)

but is worse in the summer when the park and Playland are frequented.
tow them
not used by beach goers & too narrow for parking anyway
It is not affected by beach traffic
we are too far away for people to bother parking here.....but in fact we are indifferent really
We have 1 hour parking due to the high school parking problems. That plus our distance from the beach seems to alleviate most problems.
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Part II. Enforcement Question 1a. comments

Under what circumstances did any member of your household receive a parking ticket.

Overnight on the street.
Stupid and inappropriate circumstances.
Overnight parking of our visiting daughter's car.
For parking in front of our street in front of our house. If the kids want to use the driveway for basketball or hockey. We need to move the cars to the street.
We had a parked car in front of the house when our gardener was blowing debris off the driveway.
Family Party (First Communion)
Party
We had contractors working on our house and our driveway was full with a dumpster.
I was parked on the street in front of my house.
Busy Hot Weekend.
Delivering Cake for Daughter.
Car left on street overnight due to Dead Battery.
Car outside the house.
Overnight Parking
We share a driveway and in moving vehicles, tickets were issued in a five minute period.
Guest Overnight on the street.
Overnight Parking in Street.
Parking in front of our house / homeowners ticketed too often.
My son left our car parked in front of our house one night, wham! a costly ticket
Overnight
Overnight
Party at my home.
An overnight guest; no room in our driveway.
Overnight Street Parking
Dumpster for Roof repair occupied entire driveway.
Parked on the street.
Parking on street overnight.
Snow Removal Day
Overnight parking in parking area.
We had parked our car in front of the house when our gardener was blowing debris off our driveway.
Car left on street overnight.
During renovation of our house - the dumpster was in the driveway/we appealed and not required to pay the ticket.
Parked in front of the house.
4th of July
Overnight Parking

Under what circumstances did any member of your household receive a parking ticket (continued)

Parking in front of your own home.
Overnight violation
Parked in front of house.
Working on driveway and parked 2 cars on street for 2 hours.
We received tickets almost every summer from 1970 to 1990.
Overnight Parking.
Overnight Parking.
The whole block was ticketed.
Overnight Parking.
Parking in front of my house.
Overnight Guest
An irritated neighbor called the police to complain about someone else's car.
At night.
Family and Friends
Car parked in front of house overnight.
The people who come to work on my home must park on the street (painters, cleaners, etc.). One guest was ticketed.
My children/grandchildren would come for the day.
Overnight parking of my own car.
Parking in front of our house.
We were at a party on Halsted.
Had shared driveway, sometimes had to park on street.
Parked behind my house in July.
We had a family party and we got a ticket.
The day we moved to our house we had to park our cars on the street while the movers' truck was in our driveway
First of all, I literally parked illegally 1 time because we came home very, very late and had to move furniture from the car and left it parked overnight. I was appalled to see I had a ticket, when people park illegally to go to playland and don't get tickets.
Had to park on street during home renovation.
overnight parking
Left the car in front of house for 10 minutes while we had to move other cars.
inlaw visit
over night
Began residing in Rye 12/01
Overnight parking violations. my house has a shared driveway. My portion of the driveway pavement allows for the parking of two cars, of which we have. One a station wagon and the other a (near) sub-compact. If we park another car in the driveway, even temp
Snow ordinance- not sure what it was for-
Snow ordinance
Overnight Parking
Parked my car in front of my house.
Saturday & Sunday mornings before the park opened and Mondays when the park is closed

Under what circumstances did any member of your household receive a parking ticket (continued)

Parked in front of our house, during the week, in the evening, in late September after Playland was closed and the beach had lifeguards only on weekends. A neighbor complained about a car parked at the far end of the block and the police ticketed all the cars on the street.
Overnight Parking
Just moved in 4 weeks ago.
Parking in front of house/Parking on curb (facing the wrong way)...There is often a block by block sweep by the police and they issue several tickets to many residents. The problem is-the restrictions are inconsistently applied-So there is a lot of confusion on what we can and cannot do. For example-We can park on the curb-but the car has to be facing the correct way? That does not make sense-but I received a ticket for that violation once.
Overnight parking

## Part IV.

## Additional Comments

1. We can call police if someone is staying overnight.
2. I do not like cars on the street. Real estate people do not tell New Buyers that you cannot park on the street.
3. Have stickers for local residence and their guests.
4. Parking lateral streets for celebrations, funerals, trade people and overnight guests was standard practice for many, many years with just a call to the police department.
5. Please Note: Too many visitors park in the Rye Beach Pharmacy Parking Lot on weekends, but especially during special events (July 4th). I've seen people selling parking spaces in that lot for \$10-20.
6. I am a resident on Elmwood Avenue. Changing the restrictions would make our neighborhood much more dangerous for our children at play and congested. Don't change a thing.
7. Public Transportation to beach and Playland should be encouraged - minimize parked cars. More parking will only give year-round residents more headaches and hazards.
8. Weekends from Memorial Day to September 30, weekdays from June 15th to Labor Day.
9. Despite the regulations, we have people who park on our street to use the beach, Playland and the marina. We live on a small cul-de-sac and can't have non-residents parked on our street in the summer. The traffic near the beach is already very bad.
10. It would help if my guests had a note that they could put on their windshields saying "Guest of Adelaide Street." There would need to be cars on the road as my driveway takes only two.
11. No parking on the street. Safety for our children is the most concern.
12. Safety for our children is prime concern and if cars are allowed to park, our streets will be bumper to bumper with cars.
13. You live on very small streets like Radcliffe Ave. and Park this is a problem with neighbors parking on the street and at the very corner. Many years ago this was not a problem but it is now if the restrictions are gone it will only get worse.
14. It should be illegal to park near a corner on these narrow streets. Vision is obstructed. A truck or an emergency vehicle cannot get around the corner.
15. The night parking restrictions need to be strictly enforced. As it stands now cars are allowed to park in front of our home for hours while occupants (mainly high school kids) go to the beach and the Town Park with their coolers full of beer and party.
16. Overnight parking in the beach area should definitely not be permitted.
17. A sticker for Resident Parking.
18. Things are getting too crowded with non-rye residents. It really ruins things for the residents in the summer.
19. Should be better enforcement in July and August esp. during big events at Playland. I support this (the parking restrictions) during the times Playland and Rye Town Park are open. The rest of the year there does not appear to be an issue.

20. Should be able to get permission for a short period. I always worry about strangers parking in the neighborhood destroying property and of course breakins and robbers. Maybe I worry too much.
21. I would favor some 90 minutes parking spaces at the Beach /Park for walking the dog in the park.
22. We need a sign on Apawamis or the sign at 360 Forest should be moved to the north side of Apawamis to allow drivers to see that the zone begins with Apawamis and not after.
23. Look into Ossining solution. Options in Question number 5 are not helping residents. All that is needed in residential parking permits. Ossining has overnight residential parking permits and during the day, parking is open to all.
24. Return to policy whereby resident can notify Police Dept. of parking needed for special events such as graduation.
25. We need more enforcement. People park in the front of my house and leave garbage on the ground when they leave. DO NOT relax the restrictions, please!
26. Thanks for the concern. We appreciate the Police presence through the year, but especially in the summer months. We hope they will continue supporting us in keeping park traffic from our street.
27. Is there anyway that guest to Oakland Beach Park can be restricted when they park. Right now certain individuals feel they can drive all over the park and park their car anywhere they please.
28. The people in Rye (residents) they should be allowed to obtain parking permits for an evening for guests when entertaining, as it is an embarrassment when all receive parking tickets and at the ages of my guests it is not possible for them to park at the HS.
29. If it isn't broke, why fix it? Really, this system is working as is. We experience very heavy traffic only on the 4th of July - the rest of the summer we are largely unaffected. I certainly hate to see the cars parked on the street inside Rye Town Park every weekend but we do not know the solution.
30. Biggest problem in Rye is providing adequate parking for visitors to beach/playland. There should be a restriction of vehicles to Oakland Car Park. Lets not make Rye Town Park the Beach Car Park. How about looking into additional space at Playland?
31. Eliminate restrictions on July 4 Holiday and Memorial Day and Labor Day.
32. Have Beach Parking be free after 5:00 P.M. so the restaurant can be used without paying for parking.
33. Increased enforcement of parking restrictions would be welcome. Some latitude for enforcement would also be good - for example if we see people parked in front of our house who then walk to the beach with blankets and coolers.
34. People who park during the summer months leave trash, beer, and soda cans on the street and empty ashtrays. If the restrictions were taken away it would lower the property value, increase noise level and be dangerous for the neighborhood children.
35. This issue is very close to my heart. I fully support the residential permit system. For 6 years I've felt it is the only solution - I have lived in areas where that is the system and it works and I was so disappointed when I moved here and so on.
36. Residents who live in parking restricted area should be allowed to have some sort of card or decal for their car to give them more freedom when having guests.
37. Without restrictions, the beach area streets become an extension of the parks. This can be dangerous when emergency vehicles cannot get through. There have also been times when

people have used front lawns as picnic areas and public toilets.

38. We are too close to the Beach, Park, and Playland. Additional traffic would be dangerous to our children who ride bikes and play with neighbors. The nicest thing about summer is that people use their driveways and pedestrians can enjoy our tree-lined street.
39. Residents should be able to obtain permission to have guests of the resident's park on the street since most driveways are too small.
40. The only change I feel necessary is that residence of the particular street be allowed to phone-in for permission to park if they are having a party and that the restrictions are for the hours that Playland is open.
41. Please keep the parking restrictions the same.
42. Restrictions represent an inconvenience but they are an inconsequential compared to the monumental inconvenience of having beach parkers on our streets.
43. I feel a permit system could work well for residents. The system works well in other towns (D.C.) for instance. We have three teenagers and it is very hard to park all the cars and no friends.
44. Parking restrictions are essential in our neighborhoods and the Police Dept. should enforce them without a phone call.
45. Should permit street parking for guests with advance notice to the police - if you are having a party with numerous guests.
46. As a taxpayer you should be allowed to park in front of your house like the guy on the other side of town.
47. Overnight violation and excessive distance from the curb.
48. The police do not patrol our streets. Cars park on our street and walk to Playland.
49. Ask the county to post "Parking Lot is Full" signs on 1-95 so traffic does not end up clogging Rye streets when Playland is full.
50. It's often inconvenience but the price we pay for living near the water. Strongly suggest you continue the tickets only when there is a resident complaining. I would allow for appeal when the ticketed car belongs to a resident or legitimate guest.
51. Would like to have "guest pass" FOR GUESTS WHO VISIT FOR A DAY OR DINNER PARTY.
52. Why don't you issue a "decal" or a card to put in the windshield as a Permit or pass for the residents that may be used for each guest, also especially the family and relatives. I have room for only two cars in my driveway.
53. There should be a way for residents to have guests without punishment. Perhaps there could be a way for residents to give a house # or id# to police so they can call and say I will be having approx. 15 cars for a party - so that officers will know not to ticket.
54. There is no enforcement on Overlook. It is difficult to get through each day - If everyone on both sides did the same it would be one lane. It is dangerous as well.
55. Have notified traffic committee of hazard when calls are parked at lower end of Rye Beach Ave.
56. The present restrictions have served the City well for many years. We need regular police enforcement. We do not need summer parking officers who are unsupervised, act unprofessionally, do not do their tasks and we don't need another Playland outing fiasco.
57. I am not sure what the solution is but it seems unfair that residents who pay taxes can't park in

front of their own home on a limited basis. Are there other beach communities with a similar issue from whom we might learn various consequences.

58. Things are getting too crowded with non-rye residents. It really ruins things for the residents in the summer.
59. Generally, the restrictions protect from park visitors. The restrictions are not unduly harsh. Some inconveniences to residents are worth the pay-off regarding summer traffic, noise, cruising, etc.
60. Snow ordinance parking violations when there is no snow is absurd. If there is a snowfall, that is one thing, but if there is no snowplowing. Please don't issue summons blindly when common sense will tell you if summons is warranted or not.
61. Have those monitoring parking on the streets use common sense - a license plate belonging to a resident living in home where car is parked on the street should not be issued a ticket - this is not the purpose of the restrictions.
62. Inability to have guests and family members celebrate holiday festivities especially large family members. Suggestion: Give homeowners permission cards to be placed on windshield.
63. When traffic enforcement has been notified of special requests (guests overnight due to paving - etc.) this is no problem. Cars parking on the street because of beach and park do not consider driveway access and turns on narrow streets - KEEP THEM AWAY PLEASE.
64. When I lived in Larchmont, I could call the police dept. when I had an overnight guest and give the license # to avoid the fine. In Rye I have found that the police are unable to accommodate a request like this at peak times.
65. I personally would like to have my guest's park on special occasions, parties.
66. I feel any relaxed parking restrictions would be appreciated and long overdue. We look forward to further discussion of this issue. Would strongly support some kind of permit parking system.
67. The biggest problem is not being able to have my family and friends visit me. There is no place for others to park without a chance of getting a ticket. I wish they could park in front of my house and not worry about tickets.
68. Main streets in area (Forest Ave. - Milton) are clogged with rock edges of road - dangerous - unsightly and against the law. Have them removed.
69. Cornell Place apparently not enforced by Police Dept. Cars always parked there.
70. The police are notified ahead - guest and overnight parking.
71. How does this questionnaire apply to Albany's approval of the Home Rule request for Rye? See Minutes of March 1, 1995 City Council Meeting.
72. So far what is currently in place seems to be the best solution.
73. I think the Council needs to act on this issue, not just talk about it. If the fix does not work then try again, but do not do nothing.
74. People who live on streets away from Forest Ave. should have easier parking rules.
75. Enforce the laws that are in affect now. Our street is dangerous for walking, biking by residents as cars park regularly all year and overnight at Forest and Oakwood. One family that lives on Forest uses Oakwood as their private parking lot all year - round
76. I am a senior widow and wait to see some friends twice a month. Nieces come from out of town and driveway is not available when we get at a certain age we need to be happy.

77. Too many people park in my neighborhood and walk down to the beach to avoid the fee. It becomes dangerous with all the small children one Halstead and Dearborn. The fee is not too high. I pay it when I drive.
78. Non-residents - many tend to be loud, speed thru our streets, especially Dearborn Ave. to get to the beach, loud radio, etc. The issue is not just about parking availability, it also has to do with safety for our streets and children.
79. The "ideal situation for me would be to have reasonable restrictions for streets close to the beach/park and to be able to have friends over for family parties without fear of being ticketed.
80. Parking other than restrictions should only be on one side of the street - I doubt if fire equipment could pass, especially with a truck parked.
81. Do Not support permits No.4. Guests should call the local PD and ph1e in their license Plate No. or have the home owner call the guests license plate number.
82. Current restrictions have served as well when constantly enforced. There should also be a tow truck on duty to put teeth into the law.
83. Can an ID system be established to identify residents to give a little "leeway" but not a system as formal as NY State Law would be.
84. We are at times 4 adults with cars in my household. We only have room for 3. We cannot have friends drop over without the risk of getting a ticket. We are far from the beach and I cannot conceive of anyone parking on our street to walk that far.
85. More police enforcement needed on July 4 as cars park on sidewalk lawn areas and blocking fire hydrants - in general: if it's not broken don't fix it.
86. Why not provide residents with a sticker and any cars parked with a sticker do not get ticketed. The heck with the State. This regulation does not meet the needs of the Rye Taxpayer.
87. Mayfield has 4 to 6 Out of Town Cars park till late hours. Rowdy no respect for residents who are sleeping. More tickets should be issued. It would bring more revenue to the City.
88. People who have elected to live here and buy here came with their eyes open - the parking restrictions are needed to keep visitors to Playland off the local streets.
89. Keep parking restrictions to avoid over crowding and theft.
90. While keeping restrictions the same the Rye Police should more strongly enforce the regulations. Residents should call to report guests and be prepared to keep their cars in their driveways.
91. Would like residents with deeds and bonified leases to obtain a certain # of parking permits for a limited # of times per year for special private events at home.
92. Because of this busy intimate Beach community, there needs to be accessible and adequate space for traffic flow, people to walk, run, or walk. Having streets with parking like NYC is not what Rye is about.
93. Any restrictions that cannot be enforced are a waist of time. If the police would cut some slack to residents who call them to inform of a special event, new rules would not be necessary. I hate the cars parked in my cul-de-sac 24 hours a day.
94. Please reconsider allowing parking on the grass at Rye Town Park. It created an eyesore in our beautiful park and it is ruining it. Also do not allow the huge Mess at Playland like last year's law enforcement day where the area got overrun and too crowded.
95. Why not have residents issued a parking permit displayed in our front window. When a resident has a guest - give each resident so many guest permits to place on their dashboards so that our



guests are not ticketed.

96. Years ago we used to call when we expected guests on special holidays and it worked out alright.
97. The Perez Brother were thankfully hindered by this restriction. As they are no longer rebuilding cars, I do wish our street were on a permit basis for overnight parking
99. Vehicles parking on Milton Rd from Oakland Beach Ave to Locust Lane are blocking the view of the motorists entering or leaving the lane. It is very dangerous.
100. Offer and enforce public transportation to main attraction, such as Playland, beach and Park. Public transportation shuttle buses from train station would eliminate private cars.
101. Neighbors violate parking restrictions every day by parking over night. Nothing is done and no tickets are issued. Not sure how if parking enforcement is unable to handle this situation, how they will handle the summer violators.
102. With question 5 meaning that overnight parking would be in the beach parking lot, not otherwise.
103. Residents should be given special consideration if they get parking tickets. Either they should be allowed x number of tickets to be waived or the cost per ticket should be nominal to non-existent.
104. Living very close to Playland I see people parked on the city streets and not get tickets. This is very frustrating to me since I cannot park there. I think you should keep things just the way they are.
105. Have "Special" officer at entrance to Bulkley Manor so residents can get out on to Forest Ave.
106. Just let any Beach Area Resident to automatically get any ticket cancelled if it's written as long as they act within 90 days. Allow this for their own cars and any guest's cars that may have been there.
107. People who bought their homes in the beach area KNEW the parking restrictions when they bought!! Keep as is!
108. We believe that the important responses that should be noted are the ones from residents living on streets, which presently have the seasonal parking restrictions.
109. Should be able to contact police for special circumstances - parties, home renovations etc.
110. It is really a no win situation when I have guests over. Either way you do it, someone is going to complain. I really have had any problems with anyone else parking in front of my house.
111. I live very close to playland and when parking is not strongly enforced (4th of July weekend) the neighborhood is filled with cars, and outsiders, they leave their trash, have even barbecued on our lawns and we found their behavior threatening at times.
112. I visited this site hoping to get information that would be useful to me as a visitor to understand what was possible.
113. We have a problem when people park on both sides of the streets -- it is very hard to get through. Also, when there are parties on Rye Beach Ave.
114. I believe the restrictions are necessary to maintain the quality of life for residents in the area. I think far stricter enforcements needs to be maintained on Rye Beach Ave. It is far too narrow -- and dangerous-- and parking should never be tolerated.
115. I live close enough to the park that any easing of the parking restrictions would be intrusive. The increase in foot traffic also is problematic. July 4th is a good example of what could happen - all streets virtually blocked.
116. I really don't know the problems as I moved to the area just two years ago.
117. I have lived on Garden Drive since 1978 and have never seen any vehicles parked here or looking

to park here for beach purposes.

118. We lived in Easton, Connecticut before moving to Rye. They issued small tags that were reflective that you stuck on your bumper that said ETP (standing for Easton Town Police).
119. Except for the occasional party inconvenience, I have no problem with the present setup.
120. Non-resident parking on Halsted Place(at least the part near Rye Beach Ave.) isn't a great problem. Throughout the year the largest number of non-resident parkers are housekeepers and contractors/tradespeople.
121. It gets much too crowded with non-Rye residents during the summer months already. Things have been ruined for local residents already. Please keep people off the streets, at least.
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124. This survey is very well done. I would be interested in seeing results.
125. I strongly suggest that a system be implemented to allow residents within the parking zones to obtain "passes" or permits that allows for guests visiting a resident to park in front of the house. One for a family party (birthday or holiday).
126. I live on Halsted Place. I fully support the parking rules as they are written, however, I would like to see you enforce them more strictly.
127. Horton Street has been a particularly problematic street - more so than the others in the neighborhood. The police officers that patrol the neighborhood pretty much know which cars belong to the residents.
128. This is somewhat unrelated, but it is about parking. I think it is a sin that beach/Playland parking is permitted in the park, on the grassy area.
129. This questionnaire is much too limiting. And does not allow adequate response. The problem is that the enforcement is unreasonable; home owners and taxpayers cannot have guests for important family occasions.
130. I realize it is unfair to "single out" any one street however; Rye Beach Ave between Milton & Forest is very difficult to traverse with cars parked on one or both sides. Stricter enforcement in my opinion is necessary.
131. I am neutral here because I do not want non-residents to have permits otherwise I would probably support a permit system... can't get to page one to read the limitations.
132. I have lived in Rye over 30 years. If I have guests or family visiting and need more parking space for them, I either ask neighbors if I can use their driveway and offer mine in return when they need it.
133. The parking restrictions help protect my children when they play outside in the summer. Please don't change the policy. It's working well.
134. I think things are working well now- it is a slight inconvenience, but the police generally do not ticket unless called, so there is some flexibility for residents.
135. This is just a growing problem that is addressed judiciously by the Rye Police in most cases. Since September 11th my company mandates a company car for me. I now have 2 vehicles ...

problem.

136. The parking permit system under NYS law should be challenged-Or researched further to find a way to issue resident a "pass" to park in front of their home.